

TLTR Regional Meeting

Friday, March 27, 2015

In Attendance: Robin Gilcrist, Maureen O'Halloran, Marnie Chapman, Kathi Baldwin, Susie Ferro, Lee Graham, Ann Spehar, Kim Schulte, John Long, Diana Collins, Richard Simpson, Bethany Wilkes, Jill Hanson

Minutes from 2/20/2015 meeting accepted as is.

Peer Review –

It's difficult to draw a line between the online and in-person class distinction because much more is becoming blended. Any instructors that use technology in whatever way should be able to have support, feedback, and quality enhancement opportunities.

The Draft TLTR Recommendation for Peer Review was written by the TLTR Committee (through Kathi, Maureen, Ann, and Marnie). We want the document to cause no harm, and for peer review to be truly voluntary and not unfairly imposed on any courses, both online and in-person. This should be clear in the Guiding Principles of the document.

Both formal and informal review processes could be used.

There was discussion about waiting on moving this document forward and getting more faculty feedback, but a majority thought it was important for timing to move it forward (budget/resource issues) and that by moving it forward, then Faculty Senate could move on developing a peer review process/standard.

Ann moved that we forward this recommendation to Provost and Faculty Senate

Maureen seconded, and made a friendly amendment (1) to item #3 under "Recommendations" to change the end of the sentence to "and develop training for faculty as instructors and a formal training process for faculty reviewers".

And (2) to item #4 under Guiding Principles by changing the lead-in sentence to: "We will only support a peer review process that is:"

In favor: 7

Opposed: 1

Abstain: 4

When this is presented to Faculty Senate, we want there to be faculty (both reviewers and faculty there to explain, describe, and answer questions about peer review.

Google Apps –

Per Michael Ciri (email to Kim) resolution of the remaining issues outstanding with Google Apps and Blackboard Building Blocks (single sign-on, group sharing etc.) are being resolved with OIT and hopefully all will be able to use in Fall 2015.

Social Media Policy –

TLTR is supposed to be creating a policy. Look at UA or UAF policies. This will be regarding the use (or guidelines) of social media in academic teaching environments.

Lee and Julie will work on this together and bring something back to the next meeting.

Faculty Development from Library Staff –

April 9 will be the first brownbag regarding copyright issues: Glacier View Room at noon. Sitka and Ketchikan can attend remotely.

Discussion about Upcoming Agenda Items –

Ownership rights of faculty online materials (intellectual property, copyrights, etc.?) What is UAS's policy? Is there a policy? Does statewide have a policy?

1 IT staff is moving the end of April, and some will be taking options to take 1-3 months off during the summer, so we should also talk about IT support.

Meeting adjourned at 2:17 pm.